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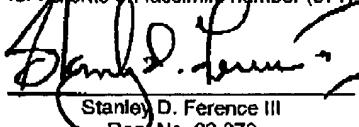
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Filed : January 4, 2002 Art Unit : 2654  
For : EFFICIENT RECURSIVE CLUSTERING BASED  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated March 15, 2006, kindly enter the following  
amendments. The amendments find full support in the claims and/or specification as  
originally filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 8 of this paper.